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A tear—the first—the only one, that glistened upon the cheek of the phlegmatic warrior, testified his grief, as he slowly and sadly retraced his steps back to his warriors, with whom he

The reforming Emperor, Pertinax, was revered for his justice and his wisdom by the few virtuous men remaining in Rome; but the corrupt, the ignorant, the prejudiced, branded his reforms as Democratic innovations; & the Pertinax was assassinated. We read in *Segur's Histoire Universelle*, that the Christians were persecuted in Rome for their spirit of reform, rather than for their new theology. They were accused of aiming to establish equality on the ruins of all and an inferior class, through the means of anarchy. Finally we have from high English authority, the following adage: "Never yet was public, found apart from private virtue." — *Wm. Foster.*

MARRYING YOUTH AND AGE.—Gurilla relates in the history of the River Omooschi, that there is a nation which marries old men to girls, and old women to youths, that age may correct the petulance of youth. For, they say, that to join young persons equal in youth and imprudence in wedlock together, is to join one fool with another. The marriage of young men with old women is, however, only a kind of apprenticeship, for after they have served some months, they are permitted to marry women of their own age.

From the questions that I am frequently asked by persons who read with many false preconceptions of the earth, I extract a few points. Thus a mistake, they never do, except when clouds intervene or night appears. On the contrary, the earth is always like an immense concave map, painted different colors, which designate not only the various localities or countries, as the coloring of maps generally do, but the various products of the soil. That the earth, which in reality is convex, should appear to the spectator to be concave, may at first seem strange to many, but a moment's reflection will render it clear. His horizon is frequently a straight line, which divides the sky into a right-angled triangle, and make the base nearly fifty or sixty times as long as the perpendicular, the hypotenuse and base will then be nearly in the same line. The horizon appears to the spectator to be on a perfect level with the car of the earth, and the earth seems to be at a great distance from him, consequently the whole surface of the earth must appear concave.